

CITY OF SAN DIEGO AIRPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Meeting of April 8, 2008

Montgomery Field Airport Terminal Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Buzz Fink (Special Expertise), Kevin O'Donnell (Special Expertise), Chuck McGill (Montgomery Field User Group), Jackie Ander (Serra Mesa Community Planning Group), Scott Hasson (Tierrasanta Community Council), J. H. Aldrich (Montgomery Field Aviation Tenant), Kathy Monsour (Clairemont Mesa Community Planning Committee), Lisa Golden (Otay Mesa Planning Group), Tom Dray (Montgomery Tower), Buzz Gibbs (Kearny Mesa Planning Group), Juan Escalante (Brown Field Aviation Tenant), Rich Martindell (Special Expertise), Bob Hitchcock (Brown Field Aviation User Group).

MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: Mike Tussey, Terry Price, Wayne Reiter, Nate Cobb, Christian Anderson, Clay Welch, Kristin Camper.

GUESTS: Rick Beach, Vic Moore, Al Boyce, Larry Rothrock, Nici Boon, Richard Vernioon, Tom Ricotta, Bill Shenkel, Gerald Blank, John Plavan, Clark Andrews, Harry Kelly, Henry Sickles, David Friedman.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 by Chairman Fink. A quorum was present. Chairman Fink introduced Bob Hitchcock, new member of the Committee representing the Experimental Aircraft Association, a Brown Field User Group.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 11, 2008 regular meeting were approved as written.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

Richard Vernon, a resident of the Royal Highlands neighborhood stated that aircraft were still flying over his home despite airport signs that discourage pilots from doing so.

Clark Andrews stated that the City's requirement for tie down tenants to only have aircraft that are in airworthy condition should be modified to include those aircraft that at some point will be airworthy such as aircraft under construction.

Al Boyce said that the pavement in the Flattop/Marigold area needs repair.

4. Deputy Directors Report

Mr. Tussey congratulated Scott Hasson on his selection as the new Chair of the Tierrasanta Community Council.

Mr. Tussey mentioned that a complaint had been received from a Clairemont resident regarding low flying aircraft entering the Montgomery Field landing pattern. Tower Chief Tom Dray has alerted his controllers to remind pilots of the published pattern altitude when time and work conditions allow.

New Tie Down List

A new tie down waiting list will be established for Flattop and marigold areas. A draft letter that will be sent to people interested in being on the list was distributed to the Committee for comments. This new list is in response to the recommendations of the sub-committee established to make recommendations on the City tie down areas.

Aircraft incident

The details of a recent incident involving a Bonanza that landed short of the runway were described by Nate Cobb. Tower Chief Tom Dray expressed his appreciation for the assistance provided by the pilot of N6164S who helped an ambulance crew get to the scene.

Palladium project

Palladium is a proposed mixed use development that is being considered for the corner of Aero Drive and Sandrock Road. Henry Sickles of Gibbs Flying Service provided details. It would include 420 residential units on 7.69 acres.

Brown Field RFP

Nicci Boon of Distinctive projects provided a status report on the Brown Field development project. An environmental survey and constraints analysis is underway that may take 5 months to complete.

Brown Field ROE evictions

One non-aviation tenant has been evicted and four more evictions are in progress. Non-aviation tenants are being evicted at the request of FAA. The process is being handled by the City Attorney and progress has been slow. A **motion** was made by Lisa Golden to write a letter to the Mayor with copies to the Council Members and City Attorney requesting that the evictions be expedited to avoid falling out of favor with FAA and losing additional grants. Jackie Ander seconded the motion and suggested the letter be reviewed by the Committee before it is sent. All voted in favor except Jim Aldrich who abstained.

Mr. Tussey reported on the status of Capital improvement projects.

Montgomery Field Capital Projects

- 10L/28R Rehab Design: *\$411,000 Kimley-Horn contract to Council this month*
- Runway 10L/28R Repair: *\$34,000, near Twy "C", Touchdown Zone*
- Environmental Constraints Analysis: *Field work complete, report being prepared for USF&W*
- Vernal Pool Restoration: *USF&W/City Reviews near complete, to be followed by implementation*

- General Requirements Contract-MYF: *Legal review in progress; Notice to Proceed expected this month*

Brown Field Capital Projects

- Electrical Upgrade: *97% complete, hope to open bids in June*
- Master Plan: *Mead Hunt responding to FAA comments, Independent Fee Estimate, Negotiations next, then to Council*
- ORW Cleanup: *In progress*

5. OLD BUSINESS

None

6. NEW BUSINESS

Jim Aldrich said he felt the administration of Flattop and Marigold would be more appropriately handled by the Airport Operations staff rather than the property agent. He **moved** that a recommendation be made to the Airports Deputy Director to implement the change as it would be more practical and cost effective. Chuck McGill seconded the motion. Discussion followed. The motion was withdrawn and will be considered at the next meeting.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tom Dray announced that there will be an aviation summer camp for Girl Scouts this summer.

Rick Beach announced that he has copies of maps available that were discussed at the Airport Land Use Compatibility ATAG meeting today

Mr. Beach also asked that Mike Tussey's letter regarding Brown Field be distributed to the AAC.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

The next meeting will be May 13, 2008 at 3 p.m. at Montgomery Field Airport

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Respectfully submitted,

Terry Price